

Hallowing Point Waterfront Park Public-Outreach Survey Results

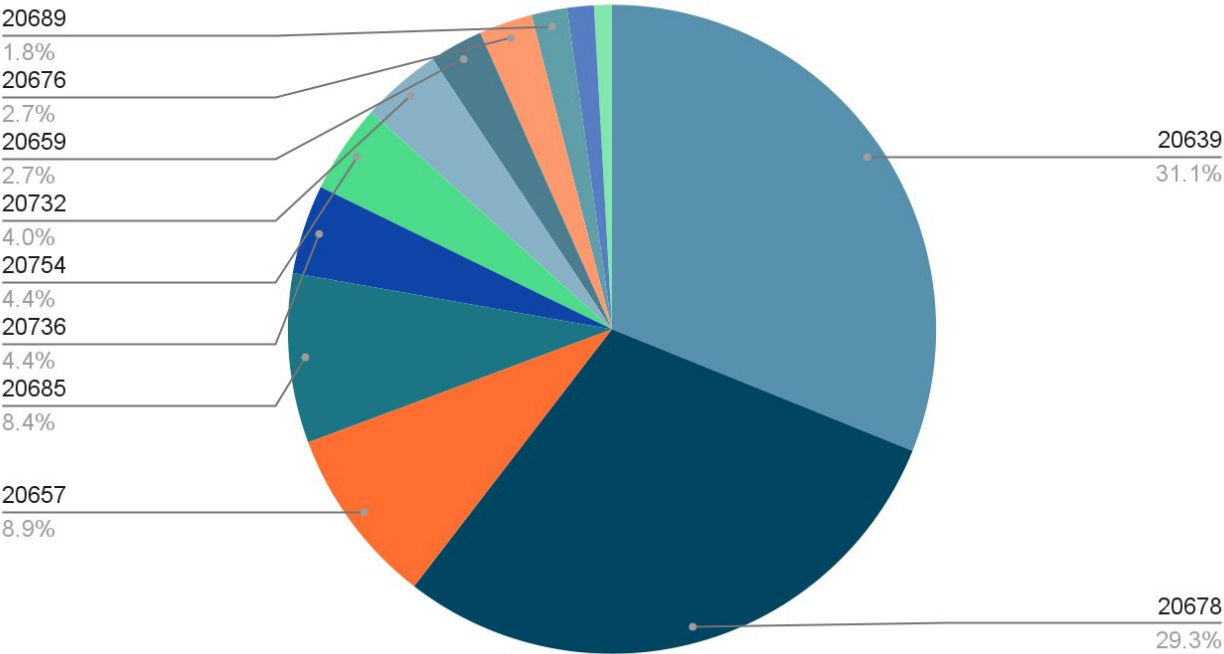
(276 total responses. Questions were not “mandatory” so some participants did not answer every question. The total number of responses per question is documented on each slide.)

Q1: How old are you?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
20 and under	0.00%	0
21 to 40	46.74%	129
41 to 60	43.12%	119
61 and older	10.14%	28
TOTAL		276

Q2: What is your zip code?

Zip Codes



Zip Code	Number of Responses
20639	70
20678	66
20657	20
20685	19
20736	10
20754	10
20732	9
20659	6
20676	6
20689	4
21742	3
No response	2
Total	225

Q3: How often do you visit Hallowing Point Waterfront Park?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	1.10%	3
Weekly	12.50%	34
Monthly	16.54%	45
Occasionally	38.97%	106
First Time	1.10%	3
Never, but I would if site improvements were made	29.78%	81
TOTAL		272

Q4: How often do you visit other Maryland State Parks?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Never	1.82%	5
Rarely (a few times a year)	12.04%	33
Occasionally (several times a year)	34.67%	95
Sometimes (a few times a month)	28.47%	78
Frequently (weekly)	20.07%	55
Very frequently (several times a week or nearly every day)	2.92%	8
TOTAL		274

Q5: What is the primary reason you currently visit Hallowing Point Waterfront Park?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I do not currently visit the park	20.07%	55
Walking	10.58%	29
Picnicking	2.55%	7
Boat launch	37.96%	104
Fishing	10.58%	29
Beach access	6.93%	19
Canoeing/kayaking	6.93%	19
Birding/wildlife viewing	1.82%	5
Other (please specify)	2.55%	7
TOTAL		274

Q6: What days do you tend to visit Hallowing Point Waterfront Park? Or, if you do not currently visit the park on a regular basis, what days would you prefer to visit in the future? (Check all that apply)

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Weekday mornings/afternoons	43.01%	117
Weekday evenings	26.47%	72
Weekend mornings/afternoons	68.38%	186
Weekend evenings	26.84%	73
Total Respondents: 272		

Q7: Do you feel there is an adequate Maryland Park Service staff presence at Hallowing Point? If you have never visited the park, please skip this question.

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes, all the time	21.89%	44
Only on weekends	17.41%	35
No	60.70%	122
TOTAL		201

Q8: Have you ever experienced any of the following issues at Hallowing Point Waterfront Park? (Check all that apply)

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
None of the above	21.34%	51
Boat launch parking full	52.30%	125
Fishing/beach area parking full	26.78%	64
Dirty/malfunctioning restrooms	44.35%	106
Safety/security concerns	20.08%	48
No available picnicking space	26.78%	64
Other (please specify)	18.83%	45
Total Respondents: 239		

Q9: What site improvements should be made to Hallowing Point Waterfront Park? From the list below, select your top five desired amenities and rank them from 1 to 5 with 1 being "Somewhat Desired" and 5 being "Most Desired." There will be some selections below that do not receive a ranking. (271 total respondents)

	1 (SOMEWHAT DESIRED)	2	3	4	5 (MOST DESIRED)	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Expanded boat launch/additional parking	11.36% 15	9.85% 13	12.12% 16	25.00% 33	41.67% 55	132	3.76
Public restrooms	9.58% 16	15.57% 26	25.15% 42	28.14% 47	21.56% 36	167	3.37
Hiking/nature viewing trails	11.71% 13	19.82% 22	24.32% 27	20.72% 23	23.42% 26	111	3.24
Canoe/kayak launch	8.26% 10	23.14% 28	23.14% 28	30.58% 37	14.88% 18	121	3.21
Swimming beach	20.20% 20	20.20% 20	19.19% 19	22.22% 22	18.18% 18	99	2.98
Fishing pier	22.03% 26	20.34% 24	22.03% 26	18.64% 22	16.95% 20	118	2.88
Playground	13.64% 9	31.82% 21	27.27% 18	16.67% 11	10.61% 7	66	2.79
Boat rental	32.26% 20	12.90% 8	29.03% 18	16.13% 10	9.68% 6	62	2.58
Picnic pads/pavilion	33.33% 29	18.39% 16	20.69% 18	20.69% 18	6.90% 6	87	2.49
Grills	43.75% 14	25.00% 8	25.00% 8	6.25% 2	0.00% 0	32	1.94
Basketball court and/or other sports facilities	61.11% 22	25.00% 9	2.78% 1	11.11% 4	0.00% 0	36	1.64

- Content included in the “other” submission category included:
- Camping (7 responses)
 - Fix road/potholes (2 responses)
 - Dog park (2 responses)
 - Add lights for early morning/evening boat ramp (1 response)
 - Create Natural Resources Police Office (1 response)

Q10: On a scale from 1 to 5, with 1 being “Not at all Important” and 5 being “Extremely Important,” rate how important to you the following goals are for Hallowing Point Waterfront Park site improvements. (275 respondents)

- Content included in the “other” submission category included:
- Camping (1 response)
 - Swimming for families (1 response)
 - Dog park (1 response)
 - Kayak launch (1 response)
 - Create Natural Resources Police Office (1 response)

	1 (NOT AT ALL IMPORTANT)	2	3	4	5 (EXTREMELY IMPORTANT)	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Preserving and restoring the natural environment	2.97% 8	4.09% 11	13.01% 35	20.45% 55	59.48% 160	269	4.29
Improving family and community recreational infrastructure	2.93% 8	6.23% 17	17.22% 47	26.37% 72	47.25% 129	273	4.09
Providing opportunities for nature viewing and outdoor exercise	4.89% 13	8.65% 23	22.18% 59	24.81% 66	39.47% 105	266	3.85
Expanding existing boat launch facilities	11.94% 32	12.69% 34	20.90% 56	14.93% 40	39.55% 106	268	3.57
Educating the community about the environmental and historical/cultural resources of the Patuxent River	8.61% 23	10.86% 29	27.34% 73	22.85% 61	30.34% 81	267	3.55
Improving opportunities for fishing and crabbing	8.61% 23	16.85% 45	20.60% 55	23.22% 62	30.71% 82	267	3.51
Providing opportunities to explore the historical/cultural significance of the area	14.56% 38	15.33% 40	22.99% 60	21.84% 57	25.29% 66	261	3.28

Q11: On a scale from 1 to 5, with 1 being “Not at all Important” and 5 being “Extremely Important,” rate how important to you the following natural resource restoration goals are for Hallowing Point Waterfront Park site improvements. (271 respondents)

- Content included in the “other” submission category included:
- Pollinator habitat (1 response)
 - Dog park (1 response)
 - Native American historical interpretation (1 response)

	1 (NOT AT ALL IMPORTANT)	2	3	4	5 (EXTREMELY IMPORTANT)	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Reducing shoreline erosion	1.50% 4	4.14% 11	9.40% 25	24.81% 66	60.15% 160	266	4.38
Enhancing the shoreline buffer for water quality and habitat	1.12% 3	5.99% 16	11.24% 30	27.72% 74	53.93% 144	267	4.27
Improving aquatic wildlife habitat	2.26% 6	4.89% 13	13.16% 35	26.32% 70	53.38% 142	266	4.24
Removing invasive species	3.45% 9	4.21% 11	16.86% 44	19.54% 51	55.94% 146	261	4.20
Improving stormwater management	1.92% 5	3.83% 10	19.54% 51	28.35% 74	46.36% 121	261	4.13
Cultivating pollinator habitat	3.05% 8	7.63% 20	21.76% 57	24.05% 63	43.51% 114	262	3.97
Providing expanded and improved forested wildlife habitat	5.73% 15	7.63% 20	20.99% 55	26.34% 69	39.31% 103	262	3.86

Q12: On a scale from 1 to 5, with 1 being “Not at all Likely” and 5 being “Extremely Likely,” rate how likely you would be to participate in the following activities if they were available in an improved and/or expanded capacity at Hallowing Point Waterfront Park. (273 respondents)

	1 (NOT AT ALL LIKELY)	2	3	4	5 (EXTREMELY LIKELY)	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Public restrooms	1.87% 5	3.36% 9	11.57% 31	16.42% 44	66.79% 179	268	4.43
Hiking/nature viewing trails	11.07% 29	8.02% 21	17.94% 47	18.32% 48	44.66% 117	262	3.77
Expanded boat launch/additional parking	15.67% 42	8.58% 23	17.16% 46	9.33% 25	49.25% 132	268	3.68
Canoe/kayak launch	16.30% 44	11.11% 30	18.52% 50	20.37% 55	33.70% 91	270	3.44
Fishing pier	15.56% 42	9.26% 25	26.30% 71	18.15% 49	30.74% 83	270	3.39
Picnic pads/pavilion	13.16% 35	17.29% 46	26.69% 71	20.68% 55	22.18% 59	266	3.21
Swimming beach	27.00% 71	11.41% 30	18.25% 48	15.21% 40	28.14% 74	263	3.06
Playground	35.50% 93	11.45% 30	19.08% 50	11.83% 31	22.14% 58	262	2.74
Grills	37.64% 99	15.21% 40	21.29% 56	14.07% 37	11.79% 31	263	2.47
Boat rental	41.83% 110	15.59% 41	17.11% 45	11.79% 31	13.69% 36	263	2.40
Basketball court and/or other sports facilities	62.31% 162	15.00% 39	11.92% 31	3.85% 10	6.92% 18	260	1.78

Q13: In the longer term, what other public park amenities should the State and/or County consider developing in Calvert County? From the list below, select five desired amenities and rank them from 1 to 5 with 1 being "Somewhat Desired" and 5 being "Most Desired." (267 respondents)

- Content included in the “other” submission category included:
- More boat launches (6 responses)
 - Dog park (2 responses)
 - Swimming beaches (2 responses)
 - Kayak launch (1 response)
 - Biking trails (1 response)
 - Archery (1 response)
 - Outdoor hockey (1 response)

	1 (SOMEWHAT DESIRED)	2	3	4	5 (MOST DESIRED)	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Hiking/walking trails	10.79% 15	12.95% 18	22.30% 31	28.78% 40	25.18% 35	139	3.45
Public swimming beaches	19.38% 25	13.18% 17	19.38% 25	13.95% 18	34.11% 44	129	3.30
Fishing piers	12.37% 12	16.49% 16	28.87% 28	18.56% 18	23.71% 23	97	3.25
RV camping	18.52% 10	14.81% 8	25.93% 14	11.11% 6	29.63% 16	54	3.19
Tent camping	18.92% 14	22.97% 17	13.51% 10	18.92% 14	25.68% 19	74	3.09
Hunting	25.00% 14	17.86% 10	17.86% 10	17.86% 10	21.43% 12	56	2.93
Kayak and canoe rentals	14.29% 13	28.57% 26	23.08% 21	19.78% 18	14.29% 13	91	2.91
Mountain biking trails	20.00% 11	21.82% 12	30.91% 17	9.09% 5	18.18% 10	55	2.84
Natural resource management	23.21% 13	23.21% 13	19.64% 11	23.21% 13	10.71% 6	56	2.75
Cabin rentals	22.92% 11	22.92% 11	25.00% 12	18.75% 9	10.42% 5	48	2.71
Horseback riding trails	21.21% 7	27.27% 9	27.27% 9	9.09% 3	15.15% 5	33	2.70
Nature center	25.45% 14	21.82% 12	23.64% 13	16.36% 9	12.73% 7	55	2.69
Wildlife viewing/interpretation (i.e., Scales & Tales aviary/reptile house)	32.69% 17	19.23% 10	15.38% 8	21.15% 11	11.54% 6	52	2.60
Boat rentals	31.82% 14	20.45% 9	20.45% 9	18.18% 8	9.09% 4	44	2.52
Historic/cultural programming	32.43% 12	32.43% 12	16.22% 6	8.11% 3	10.81% 4	37	2.32

Q14: Do you have any suggestions for what MPS should officially name Hallowing Point Waterfront Park?

- 138 respondents total
- Approximately 30% of respondents said they have no suggestions
- Approximately 25% of respondents said keep it the same
- Approximately 10% of respondents requested adding “Patuxent” in the name somehow (e.g., Patuxent River Waterfront Park at Hallowing Point, Hallowing Point Patuxent River Park, etc.)
- The other 35% of respondents were split between a variety of other responses, such as Lowell H. Bowen Park, Riverside Park, etc.)

Q15: Please use the space below to give any additional feedback about the Hallowing Point Waterfront Park Waterfront Park that you would like to share with the Maryland Park Service.

Of the 111 total respondents, responses frequently mentioned...

- County residents should continue to be admitted for free
- Fishing pier
- Cleaner
- Remove sand from boat launch ramps, currently very sandy and difficult to use
- More advertising of the park
- Fix road/potholes
- More DNR presence
- Dog park
- “Family friendly” is a common theme
- Do not add amenities that are already present at other nearby parks